

PATENT APPLICATION



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In re the application of:

Tetsuji KAWAZURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application. The period for responding is extended by the attached petition. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments without prejudice.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-7 and amend claim 14 as follows. Attached is a marked-up copy showing changes to the claims.